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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
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: Group Art Unit: 2624
Application No.: 10/625,673)
: Filed: July 24, 2003)
: For: PRINTING APPARATUS,)
PRINTING METHOD, STORAGE)
MEDIUM IN WHICH PROGRAM)
CODE IMPLEMENTING THE)
SAME METHOD IS STORED,)
AND INFORMATION)
PROCESSING APPARATUS)
December 23, 2004

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

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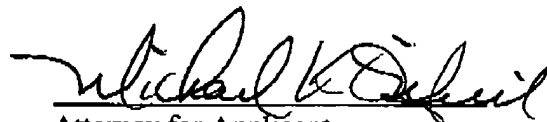
This application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a notice of allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c). The \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested.

The concise explanation of relevance for the documents cited above is provided by the English language abstracts included with the cited art.

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialling the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California, office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

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